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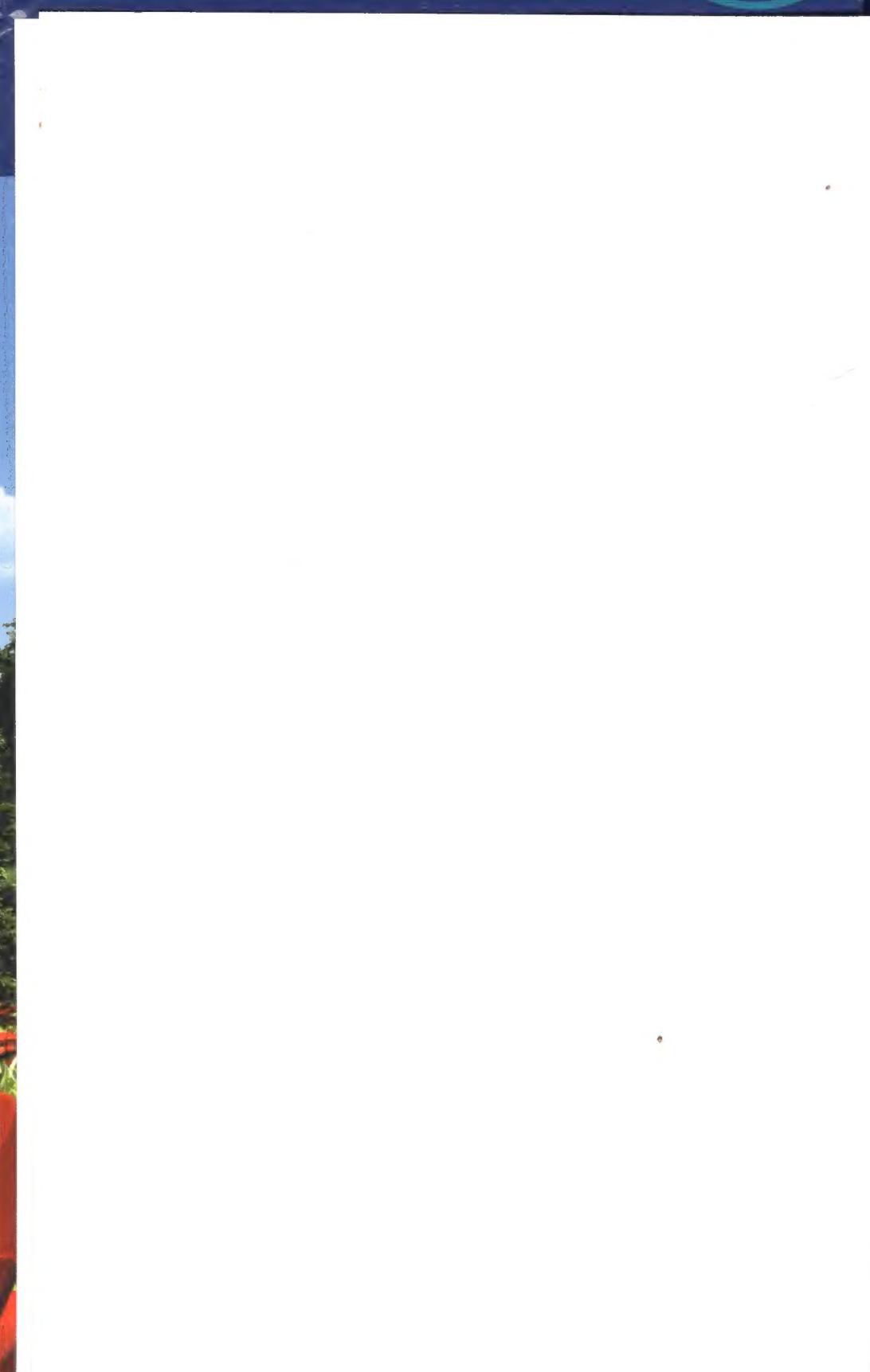
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# Thomas and the **BUZZY BEES**



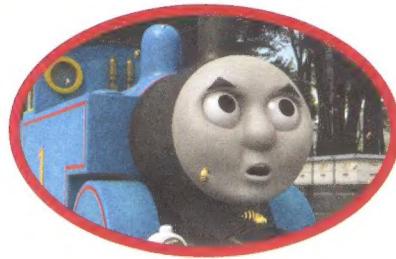






## Dear Parent:

Congratulations! Your child is taking the first steps on an exciting journey. The destination? Independent reading!



**STEP INTO READING®** will help your child get there. The program offers five steps to reading success. Each step includes fun stories and colorful art. There are also Step into Reading Sticker Books, Step into Reading Math Readers, Step into Reading Phonics Readers, Step into Reading Write-In Readers, and Step into Reading Phonics Boxed Sets—a complete literacy program with something to interest every child.

### Learning to Read, Step by Step!



#### **Ready to Read Preschool-Kindergarten**

- big type and easy words • rhyme and rhythm • picture clues

For children who know the alphabet and are eager to begin reading.



#### **Reading with Help Preschool-Grade 1**

- basic vocabulary • short sentences • simple stories

For children who recognize familiar words and sound out new words with help.



#### **Reading on Your Own Grades 1-3**

- engaging characters • easy-to-follow plots • popular topics

For children who are ready to read on their own.



#### **Reading Paragraphs Grades 2-3**

- challenging vocabulary • short paragraphs • exciting stories

For newly independent readers who read simple sentences with confidence.



#### **Ready for Chapters Grades 2-4**

- chapters • longer paragraphs • full-color art

For children who want to take the plunge into chapter books but still like colorful pictures.

**STEP INTO READING®** is designed to give every child a successful reading experience. The grade levels are only guides. Children can progress through the steps at their own speed, developing confidence in their reading, no matter what their grade.

Remember, a lifetime love of reading starts with a single step!

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Based on the Railway Series by the Reverend W Awdry.

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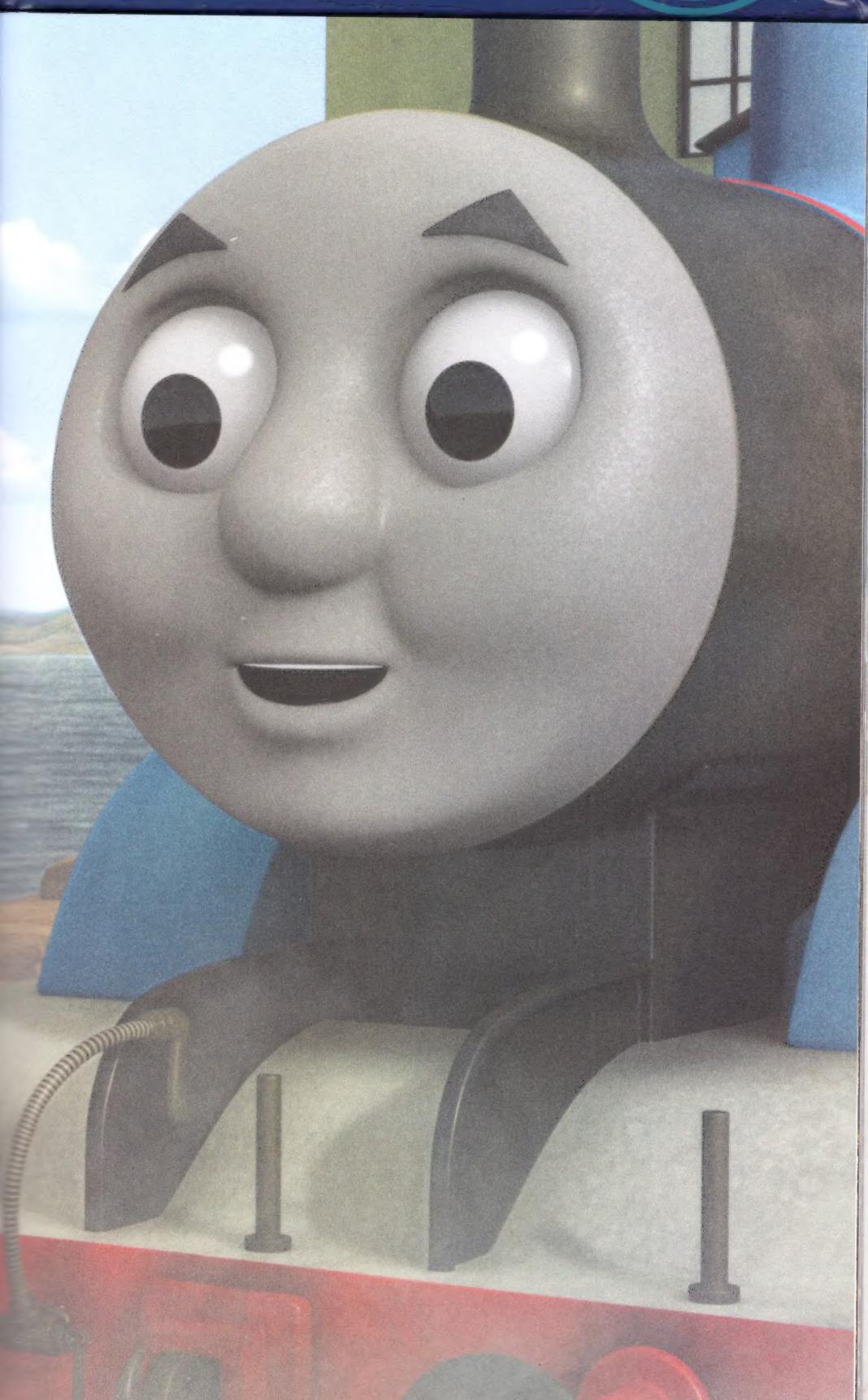
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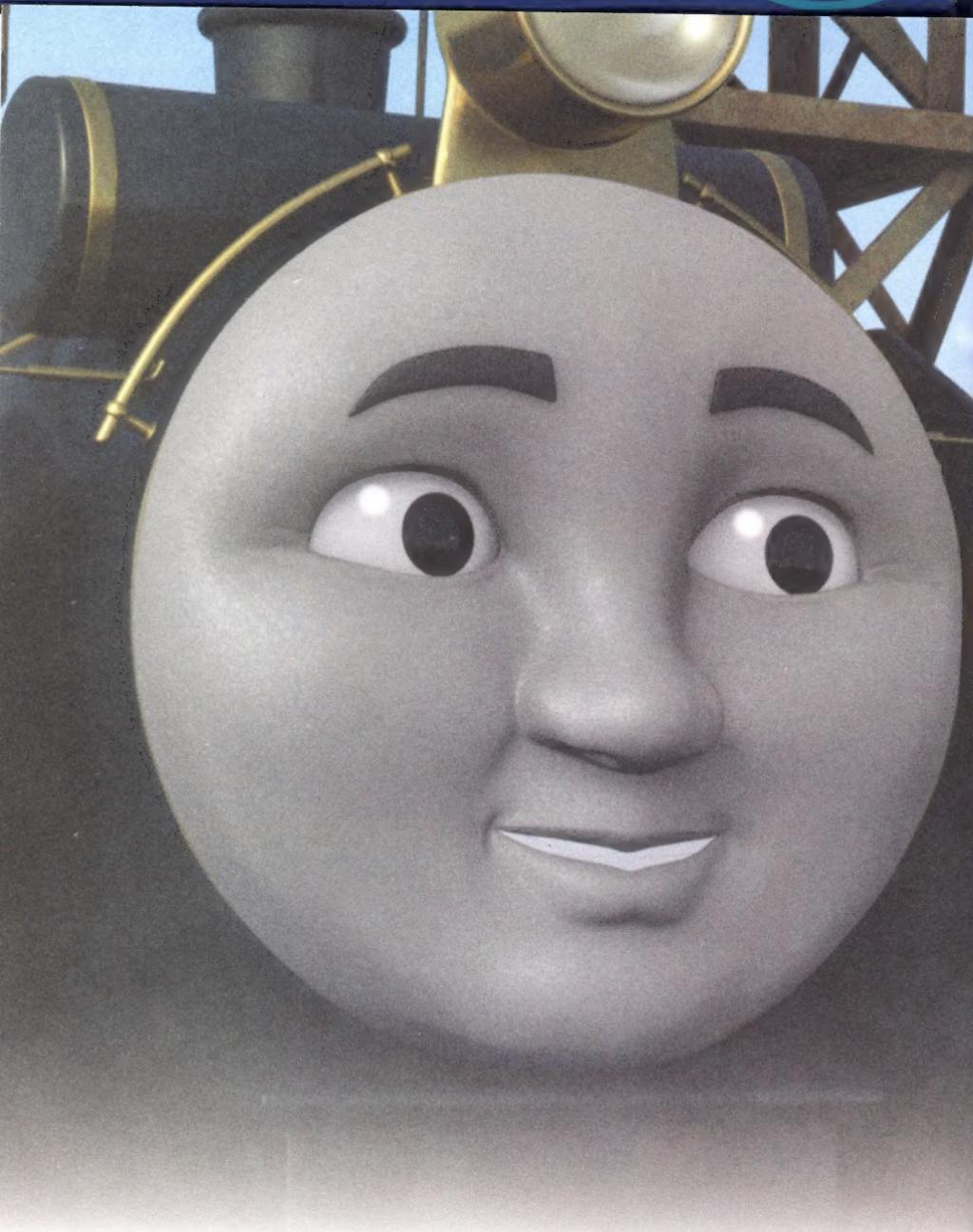
Based on the Railway Series  
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Thomas has  
a special job.  
He will carry  
a load of beehives!





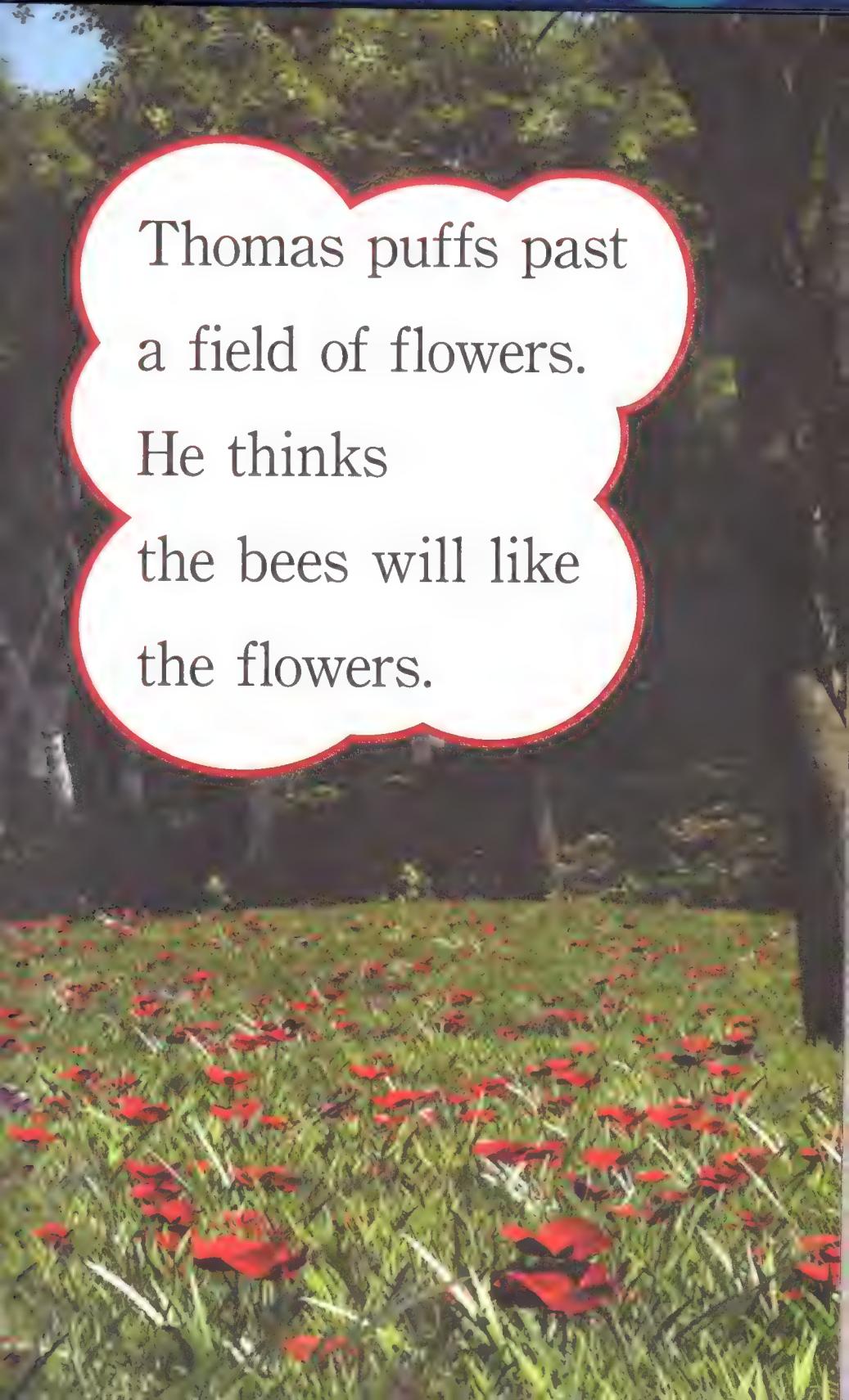


Hiro tells Thomas  
to go slow.



The bees need  
to rest.





Thomas puffs past  
a field of flowers.  
He thinks  
the bees will like  
the flowers.

Thomas hears

buzzing.

The bees are

leaving

their hives!





They fly  
to the flowers!



Thomas needs  
the bees  
to come back.



Thomas picks up

a new load.

These trucks are

full of flowers.

The bees fly back

to Thomas.





The bees fly  
all around Thomas.

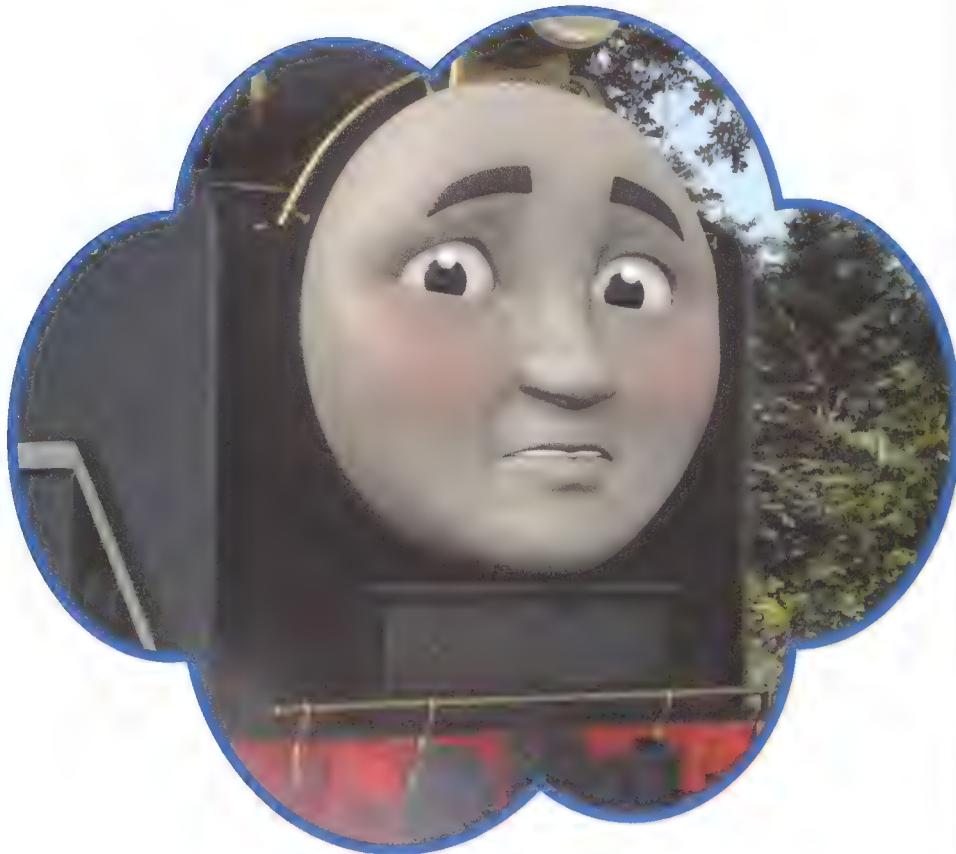


Now they are  
too close!

Thomas leaves all of  
the trucks behind.  
He rolls away  
from the bees.







Thomas meets Hiro  
on the track.  
Hiro is looking for  
the flowers  
and the bees.

Thomas knows  
he did not do his job.







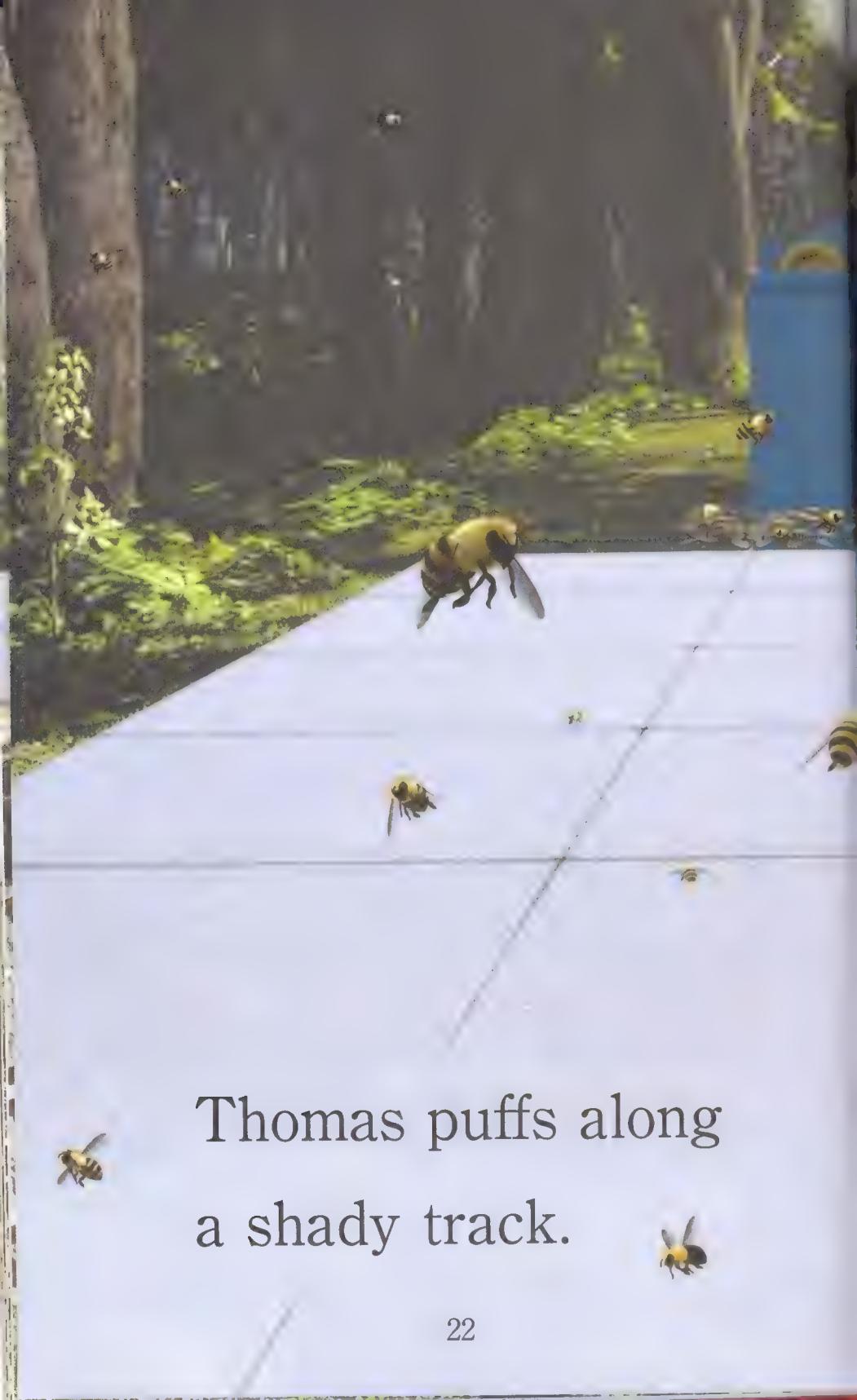
Thomas picks up  
the flowers.



He picks up  
the hives.



The bees follow.



Thomas puffs along  
a shady track.



The bees feel cool.

They fly back



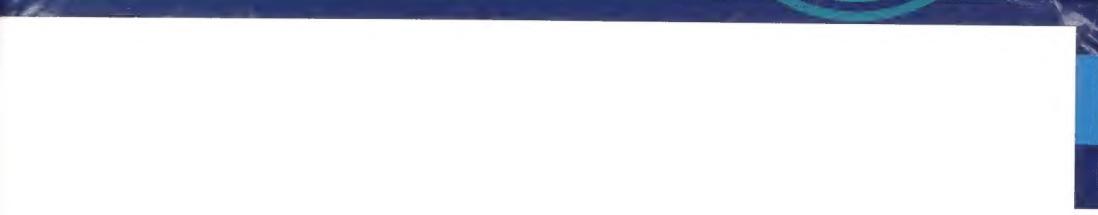
into the beehives.

The buzzy bees  
are home  
on the farm  
at last!





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Can Thomas get the buzzy bees back  
in their hives and deliver them on time?



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